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# **DECLARATION 7.**

# **ON THE NEED FOR QUOTING BIBLIOGRAPHICAL OR OTHER** REFERENCES FOR ALL NAMES CITED IN ZOOLOGICAL WORKS.

DECLARATION.-It is requested that an author who quotes a generic name, or a specific name, or a subspecific name, shall add at least once the author and year of publication of the quoted name or a full bibliographic reference.

At their Session held at Budapest in September 1927 during the Tenth International Congress of Zoology, the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature had under consideration the question of devising means for eliminating some of the causes of confusion in zoological nomenclature. In the course of the discussion, attention was drawn to the confusion constantly liable to arise from the practice of many authors of quoting names in zoological publications without adequate references to enable the reader to identify the works in which those names were first published. Many manuscript names had been inadvertently published in this way and this had led to confusion. It was clearly desirable that in every paper the author should at least once give the full bibliographical reference for each name quoted or, failing that, the name of the author of the name and the date of the publication of the name.

2. The International Commission decided to deal with this matter in their report to the Tenth International Congress of Zoology, together with certain other matters liable to give rise to confusion through carelessness in the manner of publishing new names.<sup>1</sup> The question dealt with in the present Declaration was accordingly made the subject of paragraphs 108 and 110<sup>2</sup> of the report submitted by the Commission to the Congress. These

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The matters here referred to are dealt with in *Declaration* 6. <sup>2</sup> Paragraph 109 of the Commission's report relates to the matters dealt with in *Declaration* 6. Paragraph ro8 refers both to that matter and to the matter dealt with in the present *Declaration*.

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#### paragraphs read as follows :---

108. The Commission in session unanimously voted to invite the attention of authors to the following provisions which are intended to reduce confusion :

110. (b) It is requested that an author who *quotes* <sup>3</sup> a generic name, or a specific name, or a subspecific name, shall add at least once the author and year of publication of the quoted name or a full bibliographic reference.

3. The report of the Commission containing the foregoing paragraphs was approved by the Section on Nomenclature at its joint meeting with the International Commission held at Budapest on 8th September 1927, against three dissenting votes. The *Comptes Rendus* of the Congress record that the discussion on the report was directed mainly to the amendment of Article 25 of the Code recommended in paragraphs 98 to 104 of that document. It may be concluded therefore that the dissenting votes were directed to that portion of the Commission's report and not the paragraphs quoted in paragraph 2 above. The report was thereupon submitted to the Tenth International Congress of Zoology by whom it was approved at the Concilium Plenum held at Budapest on 10th September 1927, the last day of the Congress.

4. The present *Declaration* was concurred in by the sixteen (16) Commissioners and Alternates <sup>4</sup> present at the Budapest Session of the International Commission, namely :—

Commissioners :-- Apstein; Bather; Handlirsch; Hartert; Horváth; Jordan (K.); Lönnberg; Stejneger; and Stiles.

Alternates :--Rothschild vice Chapman; Goto vice Ishikawa; Howard vice Jordan (D. S.); Hedicke vice Kolbe; Muesebeck vice Stone; Mortensen vice Neveu-Lemaire; and Enriques vice Monticelli.

5. The following two (2) Commissioners who were neither present at the Budapest Session nor represented thereat by Alternates did not vote on the present *Declaration* :---

Dabbene; and Warren.

#### **CERTIFICATE** :

I, FRANCIS HEMMING, Secretary to the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, hereby CERTIFY that

<sup>3</sup> The word "quotes" was printed in italics in the Commission's report to contrast it with the word "publishes" in the preceding paragraph (paragraph 109). For the text of the latter paragraph, see *Declaration* 6. <sup>4</sup> At the Budapest and all subsequent Sessions of the International Commission Alternates were accorded full voting rights. COMMISSION ON ZOOLOGICAL NOMENCLATURE. DECLARATION 7. 53

the present *Declaration* has been compiled from the records of the Proceedings of the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature at their Session held at Budapest in September 1927 during the Tenth International Congress of Zoology.

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